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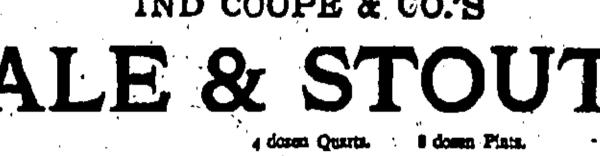
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R. F. LAMMERT. Acting Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1897. VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

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TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S MESSAGE. GRAVE CRISIS IN EUROPE.

LONDON, March 24th. It is stated that Germany, whilst declining to send troops to Crete, threatens to withdraw from

the Concert unless Greece is blocksded. The Daily Chronicle states that Great Britain will abstain from taking any part in the [521 | blockade of Greece.

> (From Diario de Manila.) THE UNITED STATES NAVY.

MADRID, March 19th. The President of the American Republic has stated that it is desirable to place out of commission fifteen cruisers of the American Navy for reasons of economy.

> THE NEW COINAGE FOR THE PHILIPPINES.

MADRID, March. 19th The April mail steamer from Barcelova will take out the first shipment of the new dollars being coined for the Philippines. The profit on the coinage will be credited to the Philippines Treasury.

THE WAR IN THE PHILIPPINES

We have been favoured by the Spanish Consul with a copy of the following telegram received from the Secretary of the Government of the Philippines: --

MANILA, 25th March, 7.15 p.m. Imus. Cavite, captured by our troops The Spanish flag was hoisted at the Church tower at 3 p.m. Old Cavite on fire. Very important victory for us. More details will follow.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Undaunted will be here in a day or two from Nagasaki.

IT is reported that Phys Dachow will appointed Slamese Minister to the Court of St.

THE decree issued forbidding arrivals from India to touch at the port of Marsailles has been

A FRENCH expedition from Dahomey has invaded Boussa in the Niger territory and seleted the capital.

LAU CHRUNG receive | a well-deserved sentence of 3 months " H.L." to-day for enatching a pa

CHAN SHING, a coolie, was to-day fined \$100 or

3 months! gaol for being unlawfally in possession, of a revolver and cartridges. Un Kim, for having stolen clothing valued at

\$4, was lo-day scat up for 42 days, and Leung Wal got 14 days for the theft of a jacket valued at 30 cents.

while she was being overhauled recently in Kowloon Dock. THE Spanish Government have Issued in-

We understand that another case of small-pox

was discovered on board H.M.S. Centurion

structions that a speedy survey be made for a system of cables uniting Luzon with all the neighbouring islands and terminating at

H.M.S. Graffon and Rainbow are now on their. way to Hongkong from Manila and Singapore respectively. The former should bring important news about the recent engagements, at Imus, briefly reported by cable yesterday.

APPARENTLY the pillery is to be revived in the United States, as a late number of the Scientific American gives the following description of a "Punitive Chair" recently patented by a Mi Sanford J. Baker, of Oaklands, Mafne; -This Is a chair made of metal states? in which the occupant is to be held in a sitting posture, though not bornd, the chair forming substantially a cage secured on a wheel base, to be drawn to and left on a public square. It is designed for the confinement of drunkards, tramps, or other objectionable persons or criminals, the occupant being visible from the sides as well as the front. A table is secured to the front of the door and food is placed there for the occupant f

Ernest Rice should succeed Sir John Fisher as festivities caused by the Queen's long tolen, -Army and Navy Gazette.

For unlawfully boarding a ship in harbour, Cheung Ping Nam, a "farmer," was fined \$50 of two months imprisonment.

A RECKLESS truck driver named Chan Kam injured Mulia Bux, an Indian PC. He was fixed 27 or 28 days and ordered to any Mulla \$2 or rettre for 10 days.

LEUNG Ki, cook, and Chan Kan, quartermaster, of the steamer Hanel, were charged at the Magistracy to-day with having stolen clothing, &c., value \$17, from the ship. The first defendant was sent to goal for six months, with bard labour and the second was bound over for six months in sureties of \$100.

HER MAJESTY'S hips Endymion, 7 350 tons, and Minerua, 5,600 tons, with relief crews for the China Station, have passed Singapore and aredue here on Monday, the 20th instant. They will refit here, take over the crows of the ships for which they have brought reliefs, and leave for England about the 10th April, after a stay here of about a fortnight.

THE enquiry into the Tal-ping-shan fatality was this alternoon again adjourned until Wednesday the 31st inst., at 2.30 p.m., Mr Pearson gave evidence as to the safety of the building. Hov. F. A. Cooper (Director of Pablic Works) depoted that he was on the scene after the fatality and examined the debris. The jury was as follows: -R. C. Wilcox, H. Papler and A. A. H. Botelho,

THE Band of the West York Regiment will play the following programme at the V. R. C. Athletic

Sports to-morrow :-Fest Match "Tannhauser" Wagner Reminiscences BelliniF. Godfrey Polka.....Faust FantasiaAnon Valse W. G Bently Selection..... "Cavalleria Rusticana" Mascagul

THE Commandant's parade of the Volunteers took place at the Parade Ground yesterday afternoon at 5.30 p.m. A large muster manning 9 guns and the majority of the officers attended, Including C. pt. J. J. Francis. The manouvres were satisfactorily accomplished and "Our Own a had much difficulty in getting over the wretched ground. It is to be hoped that the Polo Ground will be chosen as the scene of the annual inspection, otherwise the Volunteers will have little chance of showing much-" form."-

THE statement made in these columns a few days ago, on the authority of a Shanghai paper, that Chang Yiu Huan, who has been selected by the Emperor to represent blm at the celebration of the Queen's Diamond Jubiles, will proceed to London win Canada seems to be correct and our evening contemporary published a special message on the subject to-day confirming the news. His Excellency was to leave Peking to-day and it is stated that he is authorised, inter alia, to discuss with Lord Salisbury the delicate matters connected with the proposed increase of the Chinese Tariff.

THE China Gazette calls attention to what it -styles "an instance of the extraordinary celerity with which the high and mighty heaven-decreed Imperial post does its work." It says :- The German steamer Aglata, carrying the Imperial Chinese mails (ahem i) from the British Colony of Hongkong, where they were handed over to the new alleged Post Office in all good faith on Hon J. H. Stewart Lockhart, the 12th last., duly arrived at the what (Shanghai) carly on the afternoon of the 16th The ship came up direct and one would have thought the Imperial Chinese Postal Secretary would have made arrangements to have one of the numerous Customs launches meet the steamer and bring the mails up to Shanghal. He did nothing of the kind, however, and it was only 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon that the mail bags were leisurely taken off to the Imperial Chinese Post Office, where they in all probability still remain. Up to the time of writing (6 p.m., 18th) we have not received a single paper or letter of the Aglata's mail. Her mails were actually lying alongside the wharf for 28 hours before they were taken off.

FROM the statements in Parliament made by Lord Salisbury and Mr. Ballour, it is, says the Globs, clear that Europe has so far opposed Greece in the interest not of Turkey but of peace, If Greece were allowed to seize and appropriate Crete, Turkey would adopt measures in her own defence which, as Mr. Balfour insists, would involve war-a war, moreover, of which the consequences could not be foreseen. As it is those who are directly concerned in the fature of South-eastern Europe are spreparing for emergencies. Turkey is calling out her army and her fleet : Russia is disposing her forces view of contingencies, and Austria stands anxiously on guard watching events in the Balkans. On the Macedonian frontier, as in Crete, Greece Ir, as is generally supposed, Reas-Admiral appears ready to take further anti-Turkish action, and semi-official journals do not hesitate Controller of the Navy, the post of Superin- to discuss anew the question of the possible tendent of Portsmouth Dockyard will fall to Rear- partition of Turkey. The 'maintenance of Admiral J. Fellower, C.B. It was assumed at | Turkish integrity is insisted on only from the one time that Sir F. G. D. Bedford would standpoint of expediency. What is to take the succeed Lord Walter Kerr in command of the place of the Turkish Empire when dissolution Channel Ficet, but rumour is now in favour of has been accomplished? The terrible uncerhis taking the China Station, to be followed by tainties which walton the answer to that question Portsmouth Dockyard, and of Vice-Admiral are the Sultan's sole guarantee that Europe will H. F. Stephenson, who recently had the com- be on his side. The break-up of Turkey would mand in the Pacific, being the next Commander | dissipate the European Concert. International of the Picet. It is remoured at Portsmouth that | |calousyand mistrust are as persistent as Turkish Sir Nowell Salmon's time as Commander-in- missule. Ample sa have been the proofs given Chief is to be somewhat extended. His tenure by Great Britain that her alms in dealing with of the appointment expires on June 22nd, but it is Turkey are purely altruistic, even Russis, to expected that this will be prolonged in order piscate, whom the British Government has that he may remain in command over the almost stultified itself, is said to be arming in profer that she may be ready to cope with Great Beitaln in the Mediterranean,

CHANGES IN THE CUSTOMS SERVICE.

With the opening of the Tientsin River the usual "General Post" trick seems to be in full swing among the Staff of the Chinese Imperial Customs, From reliable sources we learn that three

Commissioners have resigned, eg. Messis. Woodruff, Hirth, and Boyd Bredon, all good men and trur, and we are quite sure that the numerous friends they will leave behind them will miss them very much when they are gone. the course of his long and able Commissionership Mr. Woodsuff has perienced some very rough times, having been through several riots of a more or less dangerous nature, and his calm and cool judgment was used with great effect during the riot at Canton several years ago when Shameen was half destroyed by the rioters, and Mr. Woodruff nearly lost his life in returning from the city, where he had been to fetch the Chinese troops by whose timely aid the Shameen was soon cleared of the mob. No Commissioner has ever filled his post with greater tact or ability, or given more general satisfaction, than

Mr. Woodiuff. guished sinologue and one who has acreed his joi the Colonial revenues as a contribution for chief with ability and discretion wherever he the defence of the Colony " a transcript of which has been stationed. Mr. Hirth's profound knowledge of a language, the study of which has fairly demented many other Western minds, will no doubt lead to continued useful employment among his own studious countrymen.

Choico and elsewhere where he has been answer to their despatch No. 225 of the 23rd stationed. He has always proved himself a September, 1896. genial host and staunch supporter of British sports and pastimes. It is whispered that he has decided to try "double harness" for the

To each and all of these gentlemen we sincerely wish good luck, long life, and prosperity. And now gentlemen of the lower ranks, step up, by seniority, and fill these places, No doubt we shall soon hear of several spring my colleagues. premotions.

Mr. S. J. Hanisch, for several years past on the Kowloon Customs Staff, has just been ordered. by telegram, to proceed to Canton, and our champion of the bowling alley will be much missed by his many friends here for he was an honest friend and a courteous and efficient

Revenue cruiser scrvice to the Indoor Staff, Kowloon Office.

THE ODD VOLUMES SOCIETY.

Mr. Surplice has been transferred from the

lecture on "the chinaman as a soldier." Mr. W. Machell delivered an exceedingly | sufficient to ensure a most successful and epicyinteresting lecture at the City Hall this afternoon, under the suspices of the Odd Volumes Society and before a large audience. The subject was." The Chloaman as a soldier" and the way in which it was treated by the lecturer showed that he had made it a deep and serious study, He opened by referring to the uncertainty attaching to the term "Chinese soldier," and then proceeded to quote the views of Supt. the celestial fighter. The latter in 1880 had suggested that Chinese troops should be used in India and the former spoke on the turf in the Racecourse where the sports of them as learning the use of arms much quicker than Indians. The use of Chinese so diers in the operations against Canton and in | be sufficient entries for this new event, but our

good food and fair pay, no army was more to encouraging them to start for the race. Let easily dealt with, and the adaptability of the us hope they will not disappoint us. Chinaman wasalso dwelt upon. The endurance. natience and mobility of Celestial also received attention and a number of authorities were simost at an end. The handicaps have been quoted, including Gen. Gordon, Dr. Repnie, F. arranged, but are concealed from the competitors

then Mr. Machell, who was con amore on the

H. Ballour, McGee, Creagh, Hennessy, Lord I until the day of the sports, which is, I think, as Wolseley, General Slr J. Grant L. Oliphant. Williams, Frake, Henry, Glies, and Prof Douglas. The lecture was listened to throughout with the ulmost attention and the lecturer had very hearty applause. H.E. Major-General Wilsone Black presided.

THE DIAMOND JUBILEE.

The following letter is being circulated for signature by Mr. Gershom Stewart :-

Hongkong, March, 1897. Sir. - In reply to your advertisement asking

for sugges ions in regard to a permanent memorial for the Diamond Jubiles of H.M. the Queen, we the undersigned would expestly bring to your consideration, and that of the Government, the desirability of having a road at or about sea-level round the entire Island. The advantages according from a road of this fort are such as to warrant a large outlay.

section we think would be a very suitable step to take on such an auspicious occasion as the for first place against C. E. Hume, if the latter The read would be a permanent memorial of the event which we celebrate this year by the A. A. Alves, J. Logan, and W. W. Toller, who name which would be given to it, such as:

which could be spread over a number of years

The Victoria Jubiles Read or Diamond Tublus Road. The road would be unique, and as far as we know there would be nothing similar to it in the I C. H. Kow, and Meek are not up to much for first

itself most effectively to the purpose. It would further be of value as a defensive champion cyclist of Manila is here, and is instrument in the event of our Island ever being I going in for all the bicycle races. I do not know attacked, as the possibility of an armoured train or armoured motor cars is one which would render the landing of a hostile force practically impossible.

relief to the present congested state of the north I retain it, as Armstrong and Lt. James. R.N., are side of the Island by rendering it possible for I both in grand form and they evidently mean to people to settle at Tytam or Cape d'Aguilar or I show Kew that he will not win it as easily as he clsowhere, and at any rate it brings it within the I did last year. However, I think myself that Kew power of everyone to enjoy the releashing breezes I will manage to win it again. of the South-west Montoon, which would be ! The 220-yards handlesp lies between Kew. accessible to all by improved means of locomo- | Pritz Lammert, Atmstrong, and R. Lapsley,

Compelled as we are to live our lives on a to Kew. small Island such as this, it is difficult to say ! The High Jump will, no doubt, go to Hyadman too much in favour of the change, recreation, again, and if he does not put on too much . and beneficial exercise which a road of this sort I "style" he ought to wie the Hurdle Race just as would place at the disposal of everyone,

The bicycle, largely-used-by all classes of the community both Foreign and Chinese, lice, Guadah Slogb, the old veteran, will take a would bring the hitherto unexplored beauties walk-over. It is a peculiar fact that in this race of our Island within reach of everybody. It we very seldom hear of a sailer or policemen would be a new and glorious addition to the | entering ; it is always run by soldiers. walks of the pedestrian. It would be a splendid . The Sack, Race, Putting the Shot, and Throwing road for riding and being available for the Cricket Ball do not give me much to comunable to enjoy active bedily exercise themselves. In a sack yesterday, which shows that it is not --It would further unite our Queen's name with a race which goes by luck, as most people the work, if the mileage round the Island were I fancy, counted from Her Majesty's statue instead of an at present from the Clock Tower. Incyllable tors which I cannot belo mentioning, and it changes in the town may esquee the removal of is that they do not train, even when within a

We sincerely hope that the opportunity which ficent work will not be thrown away.

We are, Sir, Your most obedieat servants, THE MILITARY MULCT.

The following correspondence, which speaks for Itself, has been forwarded to us by the Hon-

C. P. Chater for publication : - . THE GOVERNOR TO SENIOR UNOFFICIAL MEMBER.

Government House, Hongkong, 20th March, 1807. Sir.—I have the honour to forward for the information of yourself and your colleagues in the Legislative Council the enclosed copy of a despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the subject of the Ordinance dealing with the Military Contribution.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient servant, (Sd) WILLIAM ROBINSON. The Honourable C. P. Chater, etc., etc.

(Enclosure.) Downleg Street,

12th February, 1897. Sir,-I have the honour to inform you that Her Majesty will not be advised to exercise her. power of disallowance with respect to Ordinance No. \$1 of 1896 of the Legislature of Hongkong entitled " on Ordin: ne to appropriate a sum In Mr. Hirth, the Service will lose a distin- | equivalent to seventeen and a half per centum accompanied your despatch No. 295 of 30th December last.

I have to request that you will convey to the unofficial members of the Legislative Council my regret that the Ordinance was submitted to Mr. Boyd Bredon will be greatly missed at I them before the receipt of my despatch in

I have, etc., (Sd.) J. CHAMBERLAIN.

SENIOR UNOFFICIAL MEMBER TO GOVERNOR. Victoria Buildings.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1897. Sir,-I have to thank you for your letter of the 10th instant, which I have circulated among I have the honous to be, sir,

Your most obedient servant, (Sd.) C. P. CHATER. His Excellency Sir William Robinson,

THE VICTORIA RECREATION

CZUB SPORTS.

Tac third annual athleric meeting of the Victotla Recreation Club is fixed for to-merrow, 27th. instant, entries for which closed last Friday, I understand that the number of entries for the different events somewhat exceed these of last and previous years, and this, together with the new departure that has been made in the form of a half-mile bloycle race for ladies, should be able afternoon's sport. The only thing that remains to hope for to complete the success of the meeting is that the weather will tern out favourable in every sense of the word, which. though I am no weather prophet, I am inclined

to think will be so. The bicycle race for ladies is by no means out: of place, and "should be the most exciting as well as the most interesting event in the whole Creagh and Sir J. Pops Hennessey as regards | meeting. I see a great many ladies go out for an afternoon's spin, semetimes far out of town I but I have not yet acen any of them practising are to take place. There was some fear amongst the Committee lately that there would not the Taiping Rebellion was touched upon and worthy Chairman, Mr. W. C. H. Hastings, is. taking the matter le hand and, I believe, latends subject, touched upon details, saying that, given I to look up a low of our lady cyclists with a view

> Training for flat and other races has been very brisk during the last fortnight, and is now I it should be.

> F. H. Kew, who won all the short races last year, will of course be scratch in the handlesps, but notwithstanding this, he is in great form, and seems likely to repeat his last year's performances. In the hundred yards scratch race he stands alone, and should win " hands down," W. Armstrong is his fastest rival, and should make all the races (especially the handicap ones) very hot for Kew. The only other comnetitors who stand any chance in these short races are W. H. Furcell (an old favourite), Mason (a new 'up), and a certain officer in the West Yorks who is up to the present a "dark herse." The Half-mile scratch race, for which there are not many entries, will very likely result in a

somewhat easy win for J. Logan, a young promising athlete, with J. Carvalho, L. A. Rose, and A. A. Alves struggling for second place. The only other race which is longer than the ablive is the One Mile Handlesp. This always proves a very interesting race, and especially so this time for there are no less than twenty entries for it. H. W. Looker, the winner last year, if necessary, but the commencement of the first I is not going to start, but is training his efficemate, F. B. Dencov, who should make a good bid gets a decent start. The only other competitors who are likely to " take a place" ere L. A. Rose.

have all been realning hard, especially the latter. There are two or three bloycle races, the most important of which is the one mile scratch, in which McKirdy is still first favourite. Klinck, world, the configuration of the Island lending I place, but will take part in a hard struggle for second place. There is a remous that the any more about him; but we shall see what he can do to-morrow.

The Quarter-mile Challenge Cap, no doubt, will be very exciting. The holder, F. Kew. The road opens up possibilities of some will have to put his back to it if he intends to

In the Half-mile for soldiers, sallors, and po-

whilst the 120 yards may safely be put down

jintickshas would be a boon to those who are ment on, except that I noticed someone practising

There is one fault in the training of competi-

the Tower to some other and more prominent | week from the Sports, in the proper place. The position, but the statue will in all probability | Cricket Ground is no doubt very convenient to remain on its present site as long as the colony | members of the V. R. C., but I rather suggest that the Race Course track (on which the Sports are to be held) is far and away the most suitable now offers itself for commmencing the magni- | piece, as it gives one an idea at least of the state and the faults of the ground on which he is to fun his face.

OMERKYEX.

At the Harbour Office to-day a Marine_Court of Enquiry was held regarding the loss of the British steamship Glamorganshire, official No. 29,657, Hugh Morris Vyvyan, master, off Cape St. James on 7th lust. The Court consisted of Comdr. Murray Rumsey, R. N. (President) Comdr. Keppel Wade (H.M.S. Centurion), Capt. R. Archibald (s s. Rmpress of China), Capt. H. Smith (s s. Dorfe) and Captain E. J. Butler (s.s. Chungsang).

Captain Vyvyan stated that his certificate was issued at Liverpool on March 3rd, 1891. The ship had her proper complement of officers and crew. They left Hongkong March 4, at 3.30 p.m., in ballast, for Salgon. The ship was drawing 13 ft. 4 in. forward and 17 ft. 8 in. aft. In the China Sea had fine weather until 8 a m. on the 7th, when they passed Cape Padaran they steered various courses after that by chart. At 4 pm, they shaped a course 66 W., 62 S., and were, roughly specking, sa miles off Cape St. James. The position at 4 p.m. was ascertained by cross bearings of Cow Island and Caga Point. At about 5.15 she struck very heavily, sipping the bottom out from the stem to the engine room bulk-head. The vessel's speed at the time was about 111. Boats were at once awang out, and at 5.45 the chief officer was sent away with a boat to go to Cape St. James to wire to Salgon for assistance. Soon after midnight the weather increased and the boats were lowered. The ship filled and she was down by the head; the engine room, No. 1 hold and the forward compartments filled almost instantly. They sounded round her and found from 8 to 81 fathoms under bow and stern. After siriking the ship was bumping all the time, bow and stern both lifting. The funnel began to lift so that he lowered the starboard boats first. All the boats were provisioned and supplied with water at once The chief officer was unable to land at Cape St. James owing to wind and sea. He drifted up the fiver, was picked up and reached Saigon next morning. Lloyd's agent there sent a steamer and a diver. After midnight took all the people off owing to the increased bad weather and anchored the boats under lee of the ship. The second mate went off in his boat : and the third mate and witness remained, the best of his way to Cape St. James. the vessel, but only went to Cape St. James. Witness remained by the ship till 8 a.m. and

walking across the bridge; he did not see any day; then the weary firement were able to relax the detriment of the health of the population, shouls or breakers ahead. On a previous their efforts, and leave what was by this time no voyage in the Carmari henshire from Hongkong more than a vast heap of ruins. This was at building the city as a dream, but it seemed to was moderate at the time the Glamorganshire struck.

After the above evidence had been taken the finding/ which was as follows :--

The steamer Glamorganshirs left Hongkong on the 4th March on a voyage to Salgon. That after being inside the Bretto Bank in the aftermoon of the 7th last., the ship struck and remained last. That the water rose to the level of the lower decks and it was evident that nothing could be done to save the ship. The Court is of opinion that no blame can be attached to the master for the casualty. That the ship appears to have been navigated well, in a proper and scampalike manner, and the ship was supplied with the latest Admiralty

chart in which the danger is not marked. No blame being attached to the Captain, his certificate was of course duly returned to him,

LUNGCHOW.

Recent intelligence from Lungchow, one of the Chinese Treaty Parts on the Tonkin frontier. indicates that quite a noteworthy amount of progress and development has been effected in that sleeply little hollow.

The French railway is being pushed along towards that town from the frontier, and it is anticipated that trains will run through there from up through the drying-room above, about two years hence. A glance at the map will The following is the list of insurances on the show the telative positions of this piace and the premites;newly opened ports on the West River and MAIN BUILDING AND demonstrate more clearly than words the object of the French rallway extension in that direction,

The climate of Lungchow appears to be salubrious, and the little band of pioneers are all well. The Commissioner of Customs, Mr. H. B. Morie, has commenced the new Customs offices and residences, which will be fisished in September, when the staff will be transfered to them, and they then expect to "be much more comfortable." They are but modest four-roomed bungalows, but "the site is fine, the Custom House and residences stretching, along the bank of the river for 900 feet, and the view is not equalled by that from any Customs properly in China, now that Tamsul is gone, . The The country is pretty, and there are pleasant

walks everywhere when it is fine." Lungchow also has the advantage of ladies' society, Mrs. H. B. Morse being there at present to brighten up everybody and everything, and keep the little community thoroughly civilised. The French are by no means too previous

the All Jure the Franco-Chinese railway to Lungchow will not be worth a sow to Messiches les Français for two years at least, It might be well were our Galife neighbours to accept the situation as it is and not long for what can never be. They wanted to nullify with their railway all advantages that might be resped by British and German traders through that they have counted their chickens before they were hatched. At least, that is the commercial view of their latest faux pas, but it is possible of course that the railway will yet serve some useful strategic and political purpose. Who knows?

THE GREAT FIRE AT SHANGHAI

THE EWO SILK FACTORY COMPLETELY DESTROYED.

TAELS 200,000 DAMAGE.

SEVERAL INSURANCE OFFICES HIT. SHANGHAI, March 20th.

Shortly before midnight last night the hands at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s Waste Silk Filatura left off work for the customary half-hour's respite, and the several departments of the filature were locked up as usual for safety's sake until the operatives returned. Amongst these departments was the daying-room, in which a held ready to hand. Having saured his large quantity of material was undergoing a heavers of his sympathy, with the trading Jewish, 22nd Vendar, 5657. drying process. This room was locked, but a few interests of the city at this time of crisis, the minutes after the workpeople left it was seen to Governor admitted that there was no body of men be in fismes. The alarm was given to the in this city who were more entitled than the mempolice by the manager, who proceeded to the place of the outbreak, but nothing could be done owing to the apparently total absence of any description of fire appliance whatever, or any available water supply, consequently the fire speedily assumed alarming proportions, and it became evident that the building was doomed, for before the firemen arrived the flames had buildings, which by this time were well alight.

communicated with and assistance was suggestions of the committee in regard to telephoned for, to Mr. Lewis Moore, Super- quarantine arrangements before the Government Intendent of the Shanghai Fire Brigade. The of Iodia, the Gove nor remarked that it was message stated that help was badly needed, and | unnecessary for him to speak in terms of warm and after a while he told the mate to make on this Mr. Moore instructed the bell-tower men approval of the work of Mr. Snow and his at the different stations to sound the alarm on colleagues. The fact that they had done The steamer sent from Saigon did not come to | the fire-bells. This was done, "number one" | their utmost to get the upperhand of the district being signalied with the bells. The epidemic had been testified to by Surgeonfiremen turned out smartly, the Hongkew Mih | General Cleghorn, and his view of the matter took the lady passenger out of the boat on board Ho Loongs being first on the scene, and was endorsed by the Government of India, by the ship. He would have taken his chance, but followed in a few seconds by the Hongkew, No. | whom it had been reported to the Secretary of not one of the 22 people in the boat were capable | 2 Co, but at a first glance it could be seen by | State. His Excellency then proceeded to detail of sailing her and he had to take charge. He practical men that there was very little hope of the powers which had been conferred upon the left the ship at noon. The European bosin and saving the immense buildings, for instead of Commissioner for dealing with the plague and carpenier went with the chief officer, to whom he hydrants being dotted about the piemises-as the measures which had been adopted. gave the best crew. Witness had the chief en- one would expect in so important a locality- as well as the powers conferred upon local gineer and other Europeans who were not sailors. | the nearest one which steed on the road, right authorities in the Mofussil. Incidentally he When he left the ship she was full in No. 2 opposite the gateway, was between one and two expressed his thanks to Brigadies-General and 3 holds and she was leaking through the hundred yards away, the next nearest being Gatacre for his promptitude and organising tunnel and from right forward to the engine room | double that distance off. Two or three trucks | capselty in the matter of the hospital at was over the 'tween decks in water. Leaving were immediately stripped of their bose, which Government House, Parel. 'He was glid to the ship they went to Cape St. James and were was unhappily found to be sufficient for one have the opportunity to do so because a strong picked up there by the Battenburg. Witness stream only, but as additional trucks arrived strack had been made upon the institution by asked the captain of the steamer to go to the more hose was obtainable, and finally three ship, but he said that he was obliged to return streams were brought into play. The whole lorgotten," His Excellency especially referred to to Saigon. The British Consul made arrange. filature, however, was now one mass of leaping, the house to house visitation being carried on, men's for the steamer Decima to bring the roaring flames, and it was not long before the and to the good results likely to accrue therecrew to Hongkong. When witness left the roofs of both main building and wings fell in from, especially as the Justices of the Peace who ship for Cape St. James, he left five men with with a deafening crash. Ling before this time, had volunteered their services would enable the the chief officer in charge of the versel. It was very clear that the three streams of water progress of the work to be quadrupled. Two of On the morning of the 14th they came to him | were totally insufficient to cope with the con- the four medical men, who had experience of the at Cape St. James and said that they had been | fingration-indeed, it would have taken several | Hongkong epidemic, and who arrived last week, forced to abandon the ship owing to the sea times that number to have surrounded the build- had been placed on special duty at the being very rough. Witness then sent a tele- lng, and then only at considerable intervals. Secretariat, and in the light of the experience gram to the owners stating that the ship was | Extra assistance was therefore sent for, and the gained at Hongkong would very shortly report a total wreck. The behaviour of the European Hongkew Co.'s engine and the fire steam- to Government as to whether further measures portion of the crew was very satisfactory, but the launch arrived. The engine was placed beside | were immediately necessary. Dealing with the Malay scamen and Chinese firemen were worth- the large tank, which lies in the space between work to be done in the immediate future. Lord the main building and the cast wing, drawing | Sandburst said that the pulling down of build-The Chief Officer said that he was navigating | water therefrom; while the steamer got sight in | ings which were insecure or insanitary was the ship up to noon on the 7th, and was in his shore close to the river bank, two lines of hose of great importance. He was convinced that cabin when the ship struck. All hands turned being laid from it to the burning buildings, the work was necessary if any permanent out and the captain ordered witness to put off Thus four additional powerful streams were benefit was to be obtained—an opinion received for assistance in a boat to Cape St. James. brought to bear upon the fire and control was with cheers. He had been told that the Before leaving the ship witness looked below. very gradually being obtained. Then a new expense of compensating owners would be probleand saw the lower hold full of water. The crew difficulty was encountered. Owing to the high bilive, but for his own part it seemed to him that behaved very well up to the time he left. He re- walls, which, left unsupported by heams, bulged it would not be right to give compensation for turned to the ship on the 10th. There was no by the beat and weighted by the mass of debris crowded and totally insanitary dwellings upon doubt that the ship was a total wreck when he and machinery within, threatened at every the capitalised value of the rents. He was of left her finally on the 14th to join the captain at moment to fall and overwhelm those who stood opinion that the basis of compensation should be near them. Other points of van'ace had therefore | the actual value of the structure; "that rafters | The Imperial German Mail iner Sachsen left Frank Mooney, the third officer, said that he to be found from which the fismes could be and not rents should be the basis of payment. was on watch from 4 to 8 p.m. on the 7th. fought, and the fire was not got under until the to those who had obtained large profits out here on or about Sunday next at 6 p.m. The ship struck at 5.15 p.m. when witness was light in the eastern sky here ided the approach of of unwholesome and overcrowded buildings to

The scene of the catastrophe lies some little distance beyond the Shanghal Water Works, at which Mr. and Mrs A. P. Wood reside, and members of the Court retired to consider their who very kindly supplied comferting and muchneeded refreshments to the firemen. A word of praise in due to the officers of a small Chinese gunboat, moored off the scene of the fire, who sent a party of men ashore with, it must be admitted, primitive and uscless pumps, but who, nevertheless, succeeded in being the first to get water on to the burning buildings ; but the fire was of too great a magnitude to be checked by their strenuous but ineffectual efforts. The men worke | very well, they did their best, and more than that cannot reasonably be expected.

At noon to-day the fire was still burning, bursting out here and there in fitful flames where anything was left to consume, but otherwise nothing but portions of the walls, bent, shattered and twisted machinery lie in huge beaps covered with bricks, tiles and charted timber, and all hopslessly and incitiovably suiced.

There were some 700 hands employed at the filature, and of these roo were at work last night. They will, of course, be thrown out of em loyment, ast here is absolutely nothing left of the buildings in which they were employed,

The cause of the fire is at present unknown, but it is believed to have arisen through the overheating of a pipe which passed from the engine-

BUILDING AND MACHINERY	<u> </u>	TOTAL L
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Total Tis. 95,000 The main building, slock, and machinery, as has been stated, are totally destroyed, but the with their rallway "move " across the border godowns and other buildings are intact, while "RAFIERS, NOT RENTS."

LOFD SANDHUFST ON THE SITUATION. THE BASIS OF COMPENSATION TO BE RAFTERS NOT RENTS.

HOMBAY, February 27th. The most important public pronouncement the opening of the West River, and it is evident that has fallen from the lips of H.E. Lord Sandburst in regard to the existing plague epidemic was that which he addressed to the members of the Chamber of Commerce, in the Council Room of the S:cretarist, yesterday | ment. afternoon. ... It had originally been intonded that the deputation should simply consist of members of the Committee, but in deference to the wishes of Lord Sandhurst himself, the members of the Chamber generally were invited to attend. The response to the invitation was very large, scarcely any of the firms connected with the Chamber being, unrepresented. Lord Sandhurst was accompanied by his Private Secretary, Mr. Heaton, I.C.S., Mr. J De C. Atking, I.C.S., who in his capacity as Secretary in the General Department has to deal with communications from the Chamber in regard to the epidemic, was also present. Mr Abercrombie, the chaleman, briefly introduced the deputation to Lord Sandhurst, and echoed the feelings of all present when he said that they would listen with intense interest to the remarks his Excellency

might have to make. Lord Sandhurst spoke for more than half-anhour with great exmestness and deliberation. The figures be quoted necessitated frequent reference to manuscript notes, which Mr. Heaton bers of the Chamber to lay their views upon the present situation before Government. Knowing as he did that it did not always require extreme circumstances to call for the strong expressions from individuals collectively or alone, he would not have been surprised if the letter he had received from them had been severe both upon the Government and the Executive of the

spread from the drying room to the adjoining Municipality. But this was not the case, for their letter was one not studious moderation, The police, as was said before, were After referring to the action taken to lay the "someone whose name he had just then 9.15 p.m .- Hudson's Susprise Parly at the City

him a dream capable of realisation. He trusted that when the three years which remained to him in Bombay were past, the foundations would be laid of a new Bombay-happier, more beautifui and not less wealthy than she was before she was stricken down by plague. - Time of India.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column, TH DIAMOND JUBILEE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HORSEONG TREEGRAPE." SIR,-Herewith I beg to send you my srgges-

tions regarding the celebration of the Diamond Jubilce in Hongkone, which I request you will kindly publish in your next issue for the consideration of the general public and the Celebration Committee,

Yours faithfully, HO AMEL Hongkong, 26th March, 1897. SUGURATIONS :-

1. An Address .- One of the oldest residents in the Colony should, with the approval of His Excellency the Governor, be chosen and sent home as representative of the community to present the Address in person,

2. Permanent Memorial.-A Public Library and Museum worthy the name for Hongkong, Independent of the present Museum and Library in the City Hall, should be boilt on the site in front of the present Statue of Her Majesty the Queen; providing, of course, the Government will grant the site for the purpose,

3. Illuminations.—I think illuminations are indispensable on all occasions of this kind : but the best of the renants' abilly in their own way. and there should be not less than one light in front of every house.

4. Fireworks,-If necessary, let them be fired off on board one of the hulks engaged for the purpose, to be stationed in the centre of the harbour, so that thereby all sightseers may have a fair chance of seeing, instead of being confined to a corner where a large majority would be "crowded out" of view.

5. Chinese Processions.—Let them have a may be avoided. Without processions there Tantalus, Adour, Factore

is ledght to the steamship companies to the extent of several tons of thousands of dollars and also over hundreds of thousands of dellars to the trade of Hongkong in a few days. As far as I am concerned, I rather prefer that this part of the programme be not caused out.

6. Entertainments.—If necessary, let there be entertainments of a public character, and let them be subscribed for by those who wish to

Other arrangements for a military parade, &c., &c. will be best left in the hands of the Govern-

NOTANDA CALENDAR

Meteorological means based on ten years' observations to 1893. Barometer30.059 Hamidity85. Rainfall..... 4.08 inches.

TO-DAY. WEATHER PEPORT. On date at On date at Barometer 30 05 Thermometer 65 Humidity...... 95 Rainfall

Friday, 26th March, 1807. Chinese.—24th of 2nd moon of 23rd year of Mohammedan.-22nd Shawall, 1314. - Sun-Rises 6hr. Omin. Sets 6kr. 12min. High water—Afternoon 2hr. 38min. Low water—Afternoon11hr. Samin.

ANNIVERSARIES. 1841-Mr. Field and two officers of H.M.S. Blenkelm assassinated near Canton. 1875—Death of the widow of the Emperor Tang-chi

1896-An English lady attacked and robbed by Chinese at Breezy Point, Hongkong. TO-MORROW. Saturday, 27th March, 1897.

Chinrie-25th of 2nd moon of 23rd year of Kevone-sil. icwish—23rd Vendar, 5657. Mohammedan-23rd Shawall, 1313. Sun-Rises 5hr. 59min. Sets 6hr. 12min. High water-Afternoon 4hr. 10 min. Low water-None. No inferior high or low water.

ANNIVERSARIES. 1839 =20,289 chests of opium buint by Lin at Canton. 1875-Death of the young Empress Downger of

China, Abbute, widow of the Emperor Tung Chi, at Poking. 1887-Protecol of Convention between China and Portugal signed at Lisbon.

MEMORANDA.

To-DAY .- 26th March.

To-MORROW,-27th March. Tacoma mail duc.

Noon.-Meeting of shareholders of the China Agents' office, Pedder's Street. 12.30 p.m.-Meeting of shareholders of the

General Agents' office, Pedder's Street. 1.30 p.m.-V. R. C. Athletic Sports at Happy North China Insurance Co-pany, which Sir

Club at the Hongkong Club.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE: Tacoma (Olympia) to-morrow. French (Yangiss) 28th inst. Australian (Changsha) 31st inst. Australian (Australian) 1st prox. American (China) and prox. English (Mirzadore) 4th prox.

German (Bayern) 8th prox.

Shanghai at o a.m. to-day, and may be expected

SHIPPING RETURNS. From 5 p.m. yesterday to 5 p.m. to-day. ARRIVALS. Benlarigsteamer, from Singapore Hertha Singapore Talsang...... Swatow Benglos Bargkok Kwelyang Chefoo

Congo barque .. Manila Carrier Dove schooner .. Portland Aggregating 0,051 tone register, - DEPARTURES. Kanin steamer, for Foochow Rio Amoy-Hollan Swatcw Namyong Amoy Menmule Australia Cowrie Shanghal Namoa Swatow

Aslound Shanghai Verona Japan Maria Richmers Salgon Tom o' Skanter ... ship . Marila Aggregating 18,659 tons register. HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.

Kalpan in Kowloon Dock. Olympia, U.S.S..... Kachidate Maru..... Hanot Belett. .. Cosmopolitan' Dorle Wwolan.... SWATOW. Arrivals. Agents. Mer. 25 Tal Les Hongkong ... L. &. H. Zoosok 11 ...B, &. S. Woosung.,... PakskanB,& C._ Departures. Agents.

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In Post-Looson, Tal Zee.

PASSED THE CANAL. OUTWARD - 23rd Feb.-Tota Mars. 26th February-Austra Pathan Sophia Richmers Tamsue. 2nd March - Glenshire, Gisela, free hand in the management of their own affairs Benedick, Orestes, Merionsthehire, Tencer, to their hearts' content if they want it; but let | Cangise. 5th March, Aden, Sarpedon, Taithere be a proper understanding between the shane gth March - Turbe. 12th March --Police Authorities and the Committee of the Mogul, Takow; Takow; Takow; Takow; Takow; processionists as to limits of places and hours -Bayern, Antener, Yamaguchs Maru: of processions and so on, thereby insuring that | 19th March .- Argyle, Chingwo, Secoira. and there be no disappointment and so that abuses | Merch. Bentomond, Carmorikenskirs, Sydney, of Tonkin and China, for whereas the additional buildings in course of erection remain from the peighbouring maintains and their will Priorie Part Adelaids, Thyra: 23rd Max. The the safeting of these two little children? For whereas the children? For whereas the children? For whereas the children of the safeting of these two little children? For whereas the children of the safeting of these two little children? For whereas the children of the safeting of these two little children?

RUSSIA AND GREAT BRITAIN.

A SUGGESTID "DEAL" IN THE FAR EAST. Some attention was directed by English papers, previous to the development of the Cretzn trouble, to the sudden change of view by the Tear on the question of consenting to coerc-Ing the Sultan by force. On November 17th the Tear, after reading a telegram of Lord Sellabury's in which the English modus operandi was unfolded, told M. Chichking that "it was impossible for him (the Tsar) to agree to a cip.ve measures egainst the Sultan," But six days later, on November 23rd, at another interview. the lar to'l M. Chichkine that, provided the Powers were manimons, Russia "weald not refuse to take into consideration I: 3 Saitsbuly's proposal for the consideration of e.c.ve messurer." "Why did the Tatr change his mind?" asks the Westminster Gazette. "These was nothing, so far as we samuater, in what happened in Turkey itself between the two dates to account for it. Was there any 'considuration! (in the legal conse of the we.d) for the promise to consider!

coercive measures? And, if so, was it famished by Lad Salisbury? We remember, of course, that on a former occasion it was Lord Selisbury who gave up Hellgoland to clinch the bargain with Germany over the partition of Alica. Has there been any similar transaction here with Russia? It is not possible to give a definite and conclusive answer to this interesting question, but as a fact a very possible consideration for Russin's change of attitude would be Lord Salisbury's assent to the new Russo-Chinese Treaty. It is quite true that the text of the Treaty was published in the North-China Dally News several weeks theore the date of the Tear's adhesion to Lord Salisbury's plan, but it does not follow that the assent of this country had been obtained, and it may be that the Tsaonly consented to coercion in the Near East when he knew that no objection would be taken to this last development of Russian policy in the Far East.

PRESENTATION TO MR. HERBER 2 MORRIS.

LONDON, February 10th. When the retirement, at the end of last year, of Mr. Herbert S. Morris, who has been associated for the past thirty years with the Nei h China Insurance Company, was announced, his aumerous friends were unwilling that the event should pass without some acknowledgment on their part. It was therefore proposed that Mr. Morris's withdrawal from City life should be made the occasion of a presentailon of plate, and subscriptions towards that object were invited. There were collected by Mr. J. Malcolm Lyon, and responded to by some seventy of Mr. Morris's friends. The service of plate, which was a very hardsome one, included a tea-tray, having a pierced and chased panther and musk border. with a richly hand-engraved centre, a tex and coffee service and tex-kettle, richly chased with tensissance ornament after Penvenuto Cellini. ard a prir of five-framed candlesticks. On the

tray was the following inscription :-- " " Presented to Herbert S. Morris, Esq by ravanty business friends as a token of their exteem and regard on the occasion of his relitement from the North Chine Insurance Company, Limited, 1897."

Sugar Reficing Co., Ltd., at the General Great Winchester Street. E.C., by Sir Edwyn ment of Accounts to 31st December, 1896. Sandys Dawes, K.C.M G., who in a few wellchosen words spoke of the unvarying courtesy will be CLOSED from the 13th to 27th March, Luron Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at the and attention that Mr. Morris , hed always both days inclusive. shown in the conduct of the business of the Edwyn sald was a company conducted on p.m .- Annual dinner of the H.K. Football co-operative principles, that were excellent and such as he always desired in his own business. Mr. Morris replied feelingly, and thanked all his friends not only for the handsome service that they had then presented him, but also for the assistance and goodwill they had always rendered him in carrying out his duties in the North China Insurance Company, Not alone the handsome present, but their kindness, past and present, went very near his heart.

With a vote of thanks, proposed by Mr. Lyon, to Sir Edwyn Dawes, the gathering concluded. 1896.

PLUMP AGAINST A BIG FACT. It is not properly any part of my business to enforce lessons in ethics; therefore I commonly leave that responsible task to those whose vocation it is. But no man can continually write on the subject which constitutes the burden of these essays without now and then running plump against a mighty fact in morals. If you will be good enough to read the following short letters I will then try to show why I was moved to speak as I have spoken.

"My daughter Annie Jane," writes that your girl's mother, "now five years age, was a fine healthy and fall away. She had no appetite and every partiels CENT. in all. A Dividend of 6 PER CENT. for of food she took came up. She lost strength rapidly | the same year was also Declared on the COMand within a fortnight she was thin as a rake, being PANY'S ORDINARY SHARES. not much else than skin and bone. For days and days she laid in a half-conscious condition, scarcely the grat instant, moving hand or foot, and to all appearance lifeless. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company I had a doctor attending her for four weaks, and he said the child was suffering from indigestion, yet, so far as we could see, his treatment had no effect. My husband and I, and all that saw the poor baby, thought she was slowly dying, and we were almost

heart-broken at the thought of losing her. WNothing that we gave her did the slightest good, and the child was fading away, when one day, towards. the end of April, a lady called, and after seeing Annie Jane, sovised us to use Mother Seigel's Syrup. She said she had known the lives of many bhildren saved by this medicine who were down with the same com plaint. I hurried to get a bottle from Mr. Routly the chemist, in Susan's Road, and began giving it small doses. In less than twenty-four hours the child began to est, the sickness stopped, and we could see a change for the better. We kept on giving the Eastbourne, August Let. 1895.

Salter's Green, Mayfield, Sussex, "was never strong. Company in exchange for SCRIP. He did not come on like other children. He was weak, slokly, and puny. He ate but little, and was Nothing gave him strength. In February, 1894, his feet and ankles began to feeter. Next three abscesses formed on his neck and under the chin, making deep holes. He was merely skin and bone. The abscesses seemed to be exhausting his life's blood. He was in a doctor's care five months, but got no better. From July (1894) he had four months treatment at the Tunbridge Wells Hospital, without benefit. The doctors gave him medicines and cod-liver oil, but nothing strengthened-him-

"In December (1894) I concluded to take the case into my own hands, and gave him a medicine that had cured my wife-Mother Seigel's Syrup. To our astonishment and delight he began to improve in a few days. He could cat, and was stronger for it. We kept giving him the flyrup, and he grew better every day. The abscesses soon healed, and he is now you wish and refer inquirers to me. (Signed) Joseph | and no CLAIMS OF ALTERATIONS Will be subse-Bond, July 26th, 1896."

sake was hit Wire do him majority of the framen

I race die in infancy and childhood? That bundle of laws and forces called "natur !" has no pity, no mercy. Obey and live; dischey and perish, that's the whole story.

Then how does Mother Edgal's Syrup orto? It cures by bringing the diseased and suffering body back where naturals hand can reach it. It puts the derailed coach back on the metals, it re-launches the stranded ship. The radical trouble of both Annie Alexander and Joseph Bond was of the digestion, the first. (a more baby then) having been solved with scute indigestion, and the body having, as his father tells us, been born with a fe ible storrech. Hence, in his case, the bad blood and the abscrises by which nature sought to remove it. Will parents take warning from these instances? I hope so. Watch the little ones and use Mother Selgel's Syrup whenever you see them incline I to droop or languish. -Adad.

Intimations.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

ATHLETIC SPORTS. TT is respected to held an ATHLETIC MEETING TO-MORROW, 27 h March, under A. A. A. Ruxus (subject to sufficient entries being received).

EVENTS :

I .-- 120 YARDS FLAT MACE (Handlesp). 2.-- L ONG TUMP.

3.-220 YARDS FLAT HACE (Handicap). 4.- 120 YARDS HURDLE RACE, to Flights,

5. - HALV-MILE FLAT RACE. 6.—HIGH JUMP 7.-- 100 YARDS FLAT RACE.

8.—THROWING THE FRICKET BALL. 9 -ONE MILE FLAT RACE (Handleap). 10 -120 YAPDS VETEPANS' RACE (Handicap).

11.-440 YARDS FLAT RACE (Challenge Cup). 12 -SACK RACE.

13.-INTERNATIONAL TUG-OF-WAR

14.-PUTTING THE SHOT. ic.—Consolation Race.

16.—BICYCLE RACE. Open to all-comers. T mile. 17.-BICYCLE RACE, 2 miles. Open to allcomers (Handleap).

18,-HALF-MILE FLAT RACE (Handicap), open to Soldiers, Sallors and Police. -119 -TUG-OF-WAR-10 Men s side-open to Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of the Army, Navy and Police. Each Ship, Regiment or Corps may

enter one team only. 20 -LADIES' BICYCLE'RACE, Half-mile Open. EVENTS 1-17 open to all GENTLEMEN AMATEURS who are MEMBERS or VISITORS of the Hongkong Club, Club Germania, Lusi-TANO, CITY, CRICKET CI VICTORIA RECREA-TION and HONOKONG BOAT CLUBS.

Entrance fes, \$1 for each Event (1-17). General Entry, \$9. Entries CLOSE on FRIDAY, 10th March. Entrance forms obtainable at the above men-

tloned CLUBS. R F. LAMMERT. " Acting Hon. Secretary, Hongkong, 16th March, 1897. CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY,

LIMITED. NOTICE.

HE NINETEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHARE. HOLDERS of the COMPANY will be held at the The presentation was made on the 18th OFFICES of the GENERAL AGENTS, at NOON, dinstant in the new handsome board-room of the TO-MORROW, the 27th March, for the Beitish India Steam Navigation Company, 23, purpose of receiving their Report with a State-The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1807. LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY,

LIMITED. NOTICE,

THE FIFTEENTH -ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHARE-HOLDERS of the COMPANY will be held at the OFFICES of the GENERAL AGENTS, Pedder's Street, at 12.30 P.M., TO-MORROW, the 27th March, for the purpose of receiving their Report and a Statement of Accounts to 31st December,

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to 27th March, 1897, both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Agents, Hongkong, 24th March, 1897. THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGA-

TION COMPANY, LIMITED. CHAREHOLDERS are hereby informed that I at the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held in LONDON recently, a FINAL DIVIDEND of 3 PER CENT. was Declared on the COMPANY'S PREFERENCE SHARES for the Six Months child up to Merch, 1891, when she began to sieken | ending 31st December, 1896, making 6 PER

DIVIDEND WARRANTS will be ready on

will be CLOSED from the 20th to the 31st inst.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,

Hongkong, 25th March, 1897. OLIVERS FREEHOLD MINES, LIMITED. A N ISSUE of B shares at par is offered to the Registered Shareholders of the above COMPANY in the proportion of Seven shares for every filty shares they hold. Every Shareholder on the Register on WEDNESDAY, the 7th day of April next, will be entitled to an allotment of Seven B shares for every Fifty shares whether A or B segistered in his Name. All applications must be made on forms for the purpose, Syrup, and in two weeks Annie was well as ever, and which may be obtained at the OFFICE of the fast getting back her flesh. Since that time-now COMPANY on and after the 7th day of April next, four years ago she has never been ill. We consider and must be filled up and ledged with the that Mother Seigel's Syrup saved her life. You can | Company on or before WEDNESDAY, the 14th publish this statement and refer anyone to me. day of April next, together with a Sum of Two (Signed) Mrs. Annie Alexander, 25, Melbourne Boad, DOLLARS and FIFTY CENTS for every share applied for as a First Instalment. A receipt My son Joseph," writes Mr. Joseph Bond, of will be given, which must be forwarded to the

The SHARE REGISTER will be CLOSED usually in pain until he vomited most of it up again. WEDNESDAY, the 14th Apill next, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered,

John D. Humphreys & son, General Managers. 38-40, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1897. CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED. ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR -1896.

ON TRIBUTORS to the shove OFFICE are requested to furnish the Undersigned with LIST of their CONTRIBUTIONS for the year ending 31st December, 1896, in order that the Distribution of BONUS may be arranged. a fine licalthy boy, nine years old, and strong for the Returns not sendered prior to the grat day of first time since he was born. Publish this letter if March instant will be adjusted by the Office,

> quently admitted. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., CA: TON INSUBANCE OFFICE, LIMITED, Hangkong, ter March, 1847.

NO. 91. THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction,

to be held on the state in MONDAY. the 20th day of Ma 17, 1897, at 4 P.M., are

published for general information. By Command, J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,

Color 1-1 Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 13th Merch 1897.

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sile, to be held on Monday, the 20th day of March, 1897, at 4 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Hurg Hom, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years.

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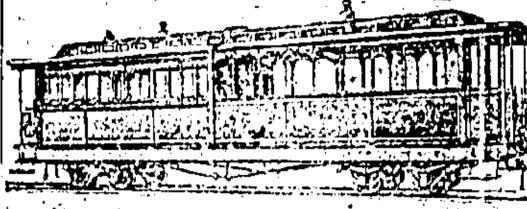
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any case whatever. . All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a c. lifeste of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vestel's arrive' here, after which on Claims will be recognized.

H. A. RITCHIE. Superintendent.

Hongs cap, 20th March, 1707. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"THAMES," FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND -STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named versel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Waari and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be so ed out mark by mark and uclivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This yeard brings on Cargo :-From London, &c., ex S.S. Ballagrat. From Calcutte, ex S.S. Chusan. From Pensian Gulf, ex S.S. Purulla.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 3 P.M., O-DAY. Goods not cleated by the 28th instant, at 4

r.M. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever. All damaged Packages must be left in the

Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessal's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised. H. A. RITCHIE

Superintendent."

Consignees

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM SHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE

ONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship

are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Gedowns at Wanch al, from whence delivery may be obtained on countersignature of Bills of Goods remaining unclaimed after the 30th

instant, will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected; J. S. VAN BUREN,

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1807.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUITA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHELYDRA" having arrived from the above Ports, Consigness

of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after Nenn of the 27th just, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers,

Hongkong, 25th March 1807. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK. THE Steamship

"ASLOUN."

Captain O. Rowsell, having strived from the atove Post, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their G ode are being landed at their risk into the G downs of the Hougkong and Kowloon Wheel and Godown Company. Limited, Kowleyn, and stored at Consignees' the and expente.

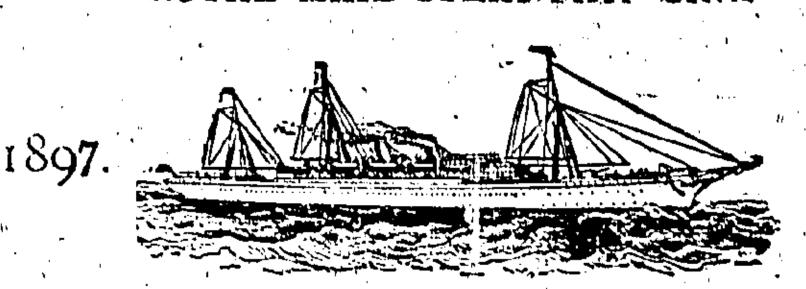
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 31st instant will be subject to reat. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are

to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 30th instant, at 2.30 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be compressioned by SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,

Agests. Hongkong, 25th March, 1897,

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE



PUNCTUALITY. SAFETY. SPELD. THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.) Twin Screw Steamships-6,000 Tons-10,000 Horse Power-Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, BMPRESS OF CHINA ... Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R.... WEDNESDAY, 7th April. EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 28th April. EMPRESS OF JAPAN ... Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R.......WEDNESDAY, 19th May.

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection made at Mentreal, Quebec, Halitax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months. SPECIAL RATES (First-class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

CIRCULAR PACIFIC TOUR TICKETS Hongkong to Vancouver, Vancouver to Sydney Australia, was Honolulu, and Sydney to Hongkoug was Brisbane and Torres Straits, Good for

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Railway passes. THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled. For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

Hongkong, 17th March, 1897.

D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Pedder's Street.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIEN-TAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES,

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TEX OVERLAND RALLVAYS. ATLANTIC AND ATSECT CONNECTING

STEAMERS. VIA INLAND SEA OF TUPANTAND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONORONO. Dorte (vix Shanghal, Nagasaki, Kobe, In- [Thursday, 1st April,

land Sea, Yokohama at Noon. and Honolulu] Belgic (via Shanghal, Nagasaid, Kobe, In- Thursday, 22nd April, land Sex and Yokeat Noon.

hama) Cootic (via Shanghai,) Nagasaki, Kone, In- Tuesday, 11th May, land Sea, Yokobama

and Honolulu) THE Company's Steamship

"DORIC"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, vta SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SKA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 1st April, 1897, at Noon. Steamers of this line pass through the IN-

LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honoluly, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point on route. Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal-cities of the

culars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application. Special rates (First-chira only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military Diplomatic and Civil Services, to Zuropean Officials in service of China and Japan, and to

United States or Canada. Rates, and parti-

Government officials and their families. Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or effe versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan

to Burope. All PARCEL PAGRADES should be thesked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until Five P.M. the day

previous to sailing. Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Castoms,

San Francisco. For burther information as to Preight Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central. J, S, VAN BUREN, Agent

Hongkone, 13th March 1897.

F. BLACKHEAD & CO., SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMARERS, COAL AND PROVISION MER-CHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS AND GENERAL COMMISSION

AGENTS, PRAYA CENTRAL, HONGKONG. SOAP-MANUFACTURERS. SOLR AGENTS FOR

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City of Rio de Fanciro

and Honolulu) Peru (via Shanghai,) Nagasaki, Kobe, In- (Saturday, 1st May, land Ses, Yokohama at Noon. and Hanolulu).....

(via Shanghai, Naga- ! Thursday, 20th May, saki, Kobe, Inland at Noon. Sca and Yokchama)

THE U.S. Mail Steamship

at Noon.

"CHINA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, v.1 SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 13th April, 1897, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freigh for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the IN-LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honelulu, and passengers are allowed to break their fourney at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all rrans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC. UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAIL-WAYS: also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAIL. WAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE; and other direct connecting Rallways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various foutes can ead on application. Special rates (stret class only) are granted to Missioneries members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Service, to European Officers in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their familles,

Through Bills of Leding issued for trause portation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports. to San Prancisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers. Freight will be received on board until 4 F.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packager will

be received at the Office until '5 P.16. same day all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in feli; value of same is required. Consular invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sont to the Company's . THE Steamship. Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the

Collector of Customs at San Francisco. Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent. Hongkong, 24th March, 2507, ...

NOTICE. THE BEST PREVENTIVE OF ALL INFECTIOUS DISEASES.



AVOID ALL RISK OF OUTBREAK BY ITS USE. W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co.

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA. ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG PORTS IN THE LEVANT. BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS:

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON

TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL

PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.) Sackses | Tuesday ... | 30th March. Bayern | Tuesday... | 27th-April.

Prinz Heinrich ... | Tuesday ... | 25th May. N TUESDAY, the 30th day of March, 1897, at Q.A.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain H. Sopmer, with MAILS, PASSENGRS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES

and GENOA. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noom on SATURDAY, the 27th March. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY the 29th March, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on MONDAY, the 20th March. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2 to and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet. Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess, Lines can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents,

Hongkong, and March, 1807. NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD

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EASTERN CITIES of the United States and CANADA and to EUROPE. HONGKONG To LONDON \$400. Excellent accommodation. First-class Table.

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class Atlantic Mail Lines. HONGKONG TO TACOMA \$135. Rates of Passage to other Points on application. Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM

HONGKONG. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION,) Olympia 2,608 | Saturday ... | April 3. Braemar | 3,601 | Tuesday ... | May III Tacoma | 2,549 | Tuesday ... | May 25 Victoria 3.167 | Tnesday ... | June 8 Olympia 2,608 | Tuesday ... | June 29.

Brasmar | 3,601 | Tuesday ... | July 27 THE Steamship

United States Points.

"OLYMPIA," Captain J. Truehridge, sailing at Noon, on SATURDAY, the 3rd April, will proceed to TACOMA (Wash.), calling at YOKOHAMA. Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States

Points should be in quadruplicate; and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Rallroad, Tacoma, Wash, Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address:

For further information as to Passage e Freight, apply to DODWELL CARLILL & Co.

marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to-



General Agents,

THE TENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR TRAITS, CEVLON. AUSTRALIA, INDIA. ADEN, RGYPT. MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA. Persian Guly, Continuental and Aurrican Ports).

For further information as to Passage and Captain F. N. Tillard, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY. &c., on THURSDAY, the 8th April, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports. This Steamer connects at Bombay with the S.S. Oceana leaving that Port on the 1st May for London direct.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Ten for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marsellies and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed vid Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4. P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required. Shippers rare particularly requested to note: the terms and conditions of the Company's Billa.

of Lading. For further Particulars, apply to H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent

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Hongkong, 25th March, 1897.

"ROSETTA."